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The Costa del Sol: In the heart of Andalusia

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The province of Málaga is well-connected and accessible. Its prime location makes it easy to get to from almost anywhere in the world, whether by sea, land or air. Located at a natural crossroads, in the centre of Andalusia, at the gateway to Africa and just 2 hours by high-speed train from Madrid, is the capital.

**You won't believe
how easy it is to
get to the Costa
del Sol!**

In the heart of Andalusia

If you have a map of Andalusia nearby, you can see what we are talking about. The Costa del Sol is located in a strategic enclave within this region of Spain. Note that the province is in a prime location within Andalusia, so much so that Antequera is considered the geographical centre. This makes it very easy to travel by road to cities like Córdoba, Granada and Seville. We can also easily travel by road to World Heritage Sites, such as the cities of Úbeda, Mérida and the aforementioned Córdoba.

From Málaga, you can also travel anywhere by train!

The nerve centre is the Málaga-María Zambrano Train Station (ADIF), which connects the Costa del Sol with Madrid by high speed in two and a half hours, and other locations like Barcelona, Seville, Córdoba and Valencia.

Do you prefer the bus? Getting there by bus is also very easy, since the Málaga Bus Station connects practically every point in Spain with every municipality in the province.

An international airport

Did you know that the Málaga-Costa del Sol Airport is one of Spain's busiest passenger airports? Cities like London, Paris, Berlin, Rome, New York and Moscow offer direct flights to the Málaga Airport, which is also the main airport and point of entry into Andalusia.



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Spain's second busiest cruise port

The Costa del Sol has been linked to the sea since time immemorial. The Port of Málaga has become one of the city's driving forces and a benchmark on a national and global level. So much so that it is the second largest cruise port in the country, with more than 2km dedicated exclusively to berths for cruise ships. It also connects to Africa! There are passenger ferries to Tangier and Melilla



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In recent years, the Costa del Sol has transformed into an open and cosmopolitan region. Without losing its essence and everything that makes it unique, it has managed to open its doors to museums, cuisine and culture from the rest of the world. The best companies, hotels and restaurants are found here.

Who wants to join us on this journey?

Shopping

Talking about upscale shopping on the Costa del Sol is talking about Marbella and Puerto Banús. This area, which has grown considerably in recent decades, specialises in elite tourism and offers the most luxurious and exclusive experiences. Louis Vuitton, Gucci and Dior all have stores here. You see, Puerto Banús is synonymous with luxury, sport, glamour, culture, commerce and, most of all, people, technology, services and non-stop activity, all of which is capable of creating a unique mix that works to perfection. A place open to the world waiting for you to discover it.



Gastronomy with a star

The latest edition of the Michelin Guide handed out nine stars in the province, of the 23 in the region. The unmatched quality of the products that the Costa del Sol offers has lured many chefs from outside the province, who have chosen it as the place to bring their ideas to life. This has kept them at the top of the local food scene, with one star for the José Carlos García Restaurant (the only one in the city of Málaga), Sollo (Fuengirola), and El Lago and Messina in Marbella, while the restaurants Bardal in Ronda and Skina in Marbella keep their second star, awarded in 2019, we welcome Nintai, another restaurant in Marbella town.

Wine tourism

The winemaking tradition of the Costa del Sol goes back centuries!

Málaga is characterised by the great diversity of its climate, mountains and landscape. And by having a large number of unique products associated with three quality marks, the “Málaga” Designation of Origin (PDO), the “Sierras de Málaga” Designation of Origin (PDO), and the “Pasas de Málaga” [Málaga raisins] Designation de Origen (PDO), which makes the wine production even more diverse. Its 40+ wineries produce top quality red, white and rosé wines. The wine sector offers a great opportunity for its lands to convey the specific values of the settings where the vineyards and wineries are located, and of the province as a whole, as a representative image of them all.

The production zone of the “Málaga” and “Sierras de Málaga” Designations of Origin (DO) are divided into seemingly unrelated areas, namely Axarquía, Montes, Norte de Málaga, Serranía de Ronda and Manilva. Although these territories have different landscapes, climates and soils, there are geographical aspects that connect them. Axarquía, Montes, Norte de Málaga, Serranía de Ronda and Manilva, which makes the wine production even more diverse.



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The flavour of Costa del Sol

Enjoy the flavour of the Costa del Sol! The gastronomy of the province of Málaga features a variety of products and flavours. You can't leave without trying the fried fish, porra antequerana, a sardine skewer, sopa perotas or sopa de los siete ramales or the delicious rabbit stew a la rondeña.

Veritable delicacies!

What's more, the Costa del Sol is known for having the best ingredients for preparing these dishes. The best oil, the best produce and cheeses, or a delicious ham from chestnut-fed pigs are just some of the products you won't soon forget once you try them. If you want a guide on your gastronomic tour, be sure to visit Spain Food Sherpas. They will show you the secrets of Málaga's cuisine. Don't wait any longer!

Experience first-hand everything that the Costa del Sol has to offer.



A healthy holiday on the Costa del Sol

Are you looking for a place that combines the concepts of health and tourism? The Costa del Sol is your destination. Specialisation and 325 days of sunshine a year make the province of Málaga the perfect place for those who want to spend a holiday in a destination that caters to health-oriented services. No other place in Europe has such a wide range of services.

Hospitals equipped with the latest technology, where you will find all the comforts of a luxury hotel and the best health professionals at your complete disposal, spas and resorts to free your body and mind, Arab baths and personalised packages all make the Costa del Sol the ideal place to take care of your health and beauty.

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Málaga Citybreaks

The city of Málaga is the perfect destination for a cultural weekend getaway, as evidenced by the 37 museums on offer. As soon as you arrive, you can take a tour of the city and its historic centre. Near Muelle Uno is the beautiful Atarazanas Market, an incredible 19th-century building where you can see for yourself how much this land loves fresh products. Then you can do some shopping while walking down the elegant Calle Larios, which will take you to the charming Plaza de la Constitución. Just 100 metres away is the Málaga Cathedral, a veritable jewel of the Andalusian Renaissance.

After enjoying some tapas in any restaurant in the city centre, there's no better way to round out the day than by taking in the breathtaking panoramas from the Gibralfaro Viewpoint. The Alcazaba and Gibralfaro Castle, their history, the city at your feet and an impressive sunset while you dine can be the perfect culmination to an unforgettable day.



The Costa del Golf, a paradise for golfers

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It's no coincidence that the Costa del Sol is known as the Costa del Golf. Its more than 70 golf courses, multiple schools, the best climate in Europe and exceptional connections by land, sea and air make the province of Málaga a true paradise for lovers of this sport. **Why not get in a few holes on the shore of the Mediterranean?**

**Over 70 golf
courses**

Historical destination

The Costa del Sol boasts a deep-rooted golfing tradition. The Real Club de Campo, today the Parador de Golf de Málaga, was founded in 1925, and the love for this sport has been growing ever since. But it wasn't until the 1960s that the number of golf courses began to explode. Today, the area boasts the highest concentration of golf courses in Spain and Europe.



Star courses

Many of the courses built on the Costa del Golf are the works of renowned architects such as Robert Trent Jones, who designed the Real Club Valderrama course, one of the most iconic golf courses in Spain. This was the first course to host the legendary Ryder Cup tournament outside the UK.

World-class golfers have also done their bit to design and develop multiple golf courses in the province. Tom Simpson, Michael Campbell, Peter Gustafsson, Cabell Robinson and Miguel Ángel Jiménez are just some of the players whose designs have helped to create some of the great golf courses on the Costa del Sol.



Much more than golf

Because life is more than golf! Once the round is over, you will find multiple cultural and leisure options. You can take the opportunity to visit one of its 103 towns, discover its museums, walk the streets in the centre of Málaga and soak up its culture.

Cuisine is another of the main attractions, with a perfect combination of tradition and avant-garde and eight restaurants in the province awarded a total of ten Michelin Stars.



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An outline of the culture of the province of Málaga

The province of Málaga is a cultural paradise! The perfect place for every culture lover is home to the best museums in the world, first-class cuisine, hundreds of cultural landmarks, flamenco and the works of Pablo Ruiz Picasso. All of it framed by thrilling history. **Explore it!**

History

The land in the province has been inhabited since ancient times. Proof of this is the Antequera Dolmen Complex and the rock paintings found in various caves in the area. The Phoenicians, Greeks, Carthaginians, Romans, Byzantines and Arabs all made their way through the Costa del Sol. The Arabs spent eight centuries imbuing this land with their culture, which combined with the customs and practices of previous inhabitants to create the cultural mosaic that is today's Málaga.



Museums & Theatres

Most of the main museums are located in the capital, Málaga. Contemporary art is represented at the CAC Málaga, the Pompidou and the Picasso Museum. The Carmen Thyssen Museum houses a valuable Costumbrismo collection. If you'd rather take in the local art scene, then a visit to the Museum of Málaga is a must. It features an impressive collection of fine arts consisting mainly of works by painters from Málaga.

The province also boasts an impressive theatre scene with the Teatro Cervantes (Málaga), Teatro del Carmen (Vélez Málaga), Teatro Las Lagunas (Mijas) and the Teatro Vicente Espinel (Ronda).

Poetry

Málaga has always been a land of poets. From Manuel Altolaguirre and Emilio Prados to Vicente Aleixandre and Manuel Alcántara. You can feel the power of literature in the streets of the Málaga neighbourhood of Pozos Dulces, where passages from a multitude of poets adorn its streets. In the Plaza del Pericón, regarded as one of the most beautiful in the city, an inspiring "wall of words" was built. Simple words with no apparent meaning that have the power to move us!



A glimpse into the culture of the province of Málaga

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Picasso

Málaga played a very important role in the life of Pablo Ruiz Picasso, one of the greatest artists in the history of mankind. There are many spots in the city where the painter's presence is evident. His birth house is in the Plaza de la Merced, where, as a child, the painter pretended to be a bullfighter. Currently, the place where he was born is a museum dedicated to his life and work.



Flamenco

Although it is attributed to the Gypsies who arrived on the peninsula in the 15th century, flamenco is a blend of cultures! These days along the Costa del Sol you can find flamenco halls and taverns where you can dive into the flamenco culture. Temples where this art form is worshiped and must-see venues where the power of flamenco singers, musicians and dancers will entice you.

Soho, the cosmopolitan neighbourhood

If there is one cosmopolitan neighbourhood that oozes modern culture, it's Soho Málaga. It is one of the capital city's main attractions thanks to its original architecture, its cultural spaces and the art that pervades its streets. Of note is the graffiti that adorns many facades, the work of internationally renowned artists like Obey.

Soho is also home to the Málaga Contemporary Art Centre (CAC), which hosts exhibits throughout the year.



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Unique and charming festivals on the Costa del Sol

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The Costa del Sol is crammed full of unique festivals! You can find festivals and fairs year-round in which to enjoy the customs of the towns in the province of Málaga. Many of these celebrations have ties to its history and traditional cuisine, making them an excellent opportunity to get to know the culture of the Costa del Sol. **Take note and don't miss any!**

Food Festivals

Many towns in the province of Málaga pay homage to typical products and local cuisine. In January, Ardales celebrates its Slaughter Festival, where everything revolves around the pig. You'll be able to taste all its products! El Burgo honours the typical seven-ingredient soup in late February. An entire town preparing this soup made from bread and local produce! In April, don't miss out on Soup Day in Monda, where you can savour this magnificent typical soup.

In Sayalonga, every first Sunday in May sees one of the most famous cuisine festivals in Axarquía: Loquat Day. A festival dedicated to this fruit and its related products. Staying on the topic of fruits, Orange Day is celebrated in Coín in May, where you can taste this fruit in a thousand different recipes. May is snail month and for decades now Riogordo has devoted the last Sunday in May to its famous snails.

Wine also has its own day in Cómputa, a town that has been associating its name with sweet wine for centuries. On 15 August, you can taste its famous broth served with migas.

We return to Axarquía to enjoy ajoblanco. In Almachar, ajoblanco is distributed free of charge to locals and visitors alike in early September. El Borge produces the world's best raisins, which have a day all to themselves in September. Other products are also celebrated, like grapes and wine. Every year there are also tastings of other dishes and products from the area, such as sausages, gazpacho and migas.

Pujerra and Yunquera hold their Chestnut Festivals in October and November, when their are harvested. Chestnuts and wine, what more could you ask for?

In December, Torrox devotes a day to one of the Costa del Sol's most typical dishes, migas. For more than three and a half decades, this town in Axarquía has been offering guests its famous dish, made with semolina.



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Unique festivals

Would you like to relive how the Christians reclaimed their land from the Arabs? In the towns of Alfarnate, Benadalid and Bena-lauría they celebrate the Feast of Moors and Christians, where the town's residents remember, through a street performance, the Mudejar rebellion that occurred in Serranía de Ronda in the 15th century.

On the first Sunday of May, in the vicinity of the Shrine of the Three Crosses, Almogía celebrates the Festival of the Shrine of the Three Crosses, where the verdiales, one of the oldest folkloric expressions in all of Europe, take centre stage. So much so that the town is regarded as the "Cradle of the Verdiales".

Do you like dogs? Then Archidona has you covered with its Dog Fair in early June. A party where man's best friend is the real king. A unique national event and one of the most important dog-related shows in Spain.

Do you want to learn about the customs of the Arab inhabitants of Salares? In September, the customs and traditions of the Arab settlers who inhabited these lands until just over five centuries ago are commemorated with a bazaar, oriental dances and falconry exhibitions, among other activities.

Be sure to take in the May Crosses in Vélez-Málaga too. The highlight of this event, which is held each year, is the 'Legado de Reyes' parade, in which the participants are dressed in the typical costumes of the time as the parade makes its way along various streets in the city's historic centre. The parade is preceded by the procession of the Cross of the Lamb, a celebration that features members of groups, associations and schools, and draws in tourists from all over the province. The different crosses that take part in the contest are also visited during the festival.



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Discover the interior of the province

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The Costa del Sol is much more than sunshine and beaches. Inland it hides spectacular landscapes - nature in its purest form - and hidden spots waiting to be discovered. If what you want is a break from the ordinary and to immerse yourself in a real adventure, here are some can't-miss activities and locations.

Experience the interior of the Costa del Sol!

Vía Ferrata

Would you like to discover amazing landscapes on demanding routes? If so, be sure to do one of the via ferratas located in the province of Málaga. A via ferrata is an experience halfway between mountain climbing and hiking. These routes have elements such as clips, rungs, handrails, suspension bridges and even zip lines. The most famous via ferratas are El Tajo de Ronda, El Chorro and Cueva de la Ventana. Do you dare?



El Caminito del Rey

Would you cross the Gaitanes Gorge on a path that is over 100 m up in the air in places? The Caminito del Rey is the jewel in the crown of the interior of the province, a route that runs over hanging walkways attached to the rock wall. An impressive experience! This path was built in the early 20th century for the workers at the El Chorro power plant, and ended up being used to connect the towns of Álora and Ardales. Do you know where the name comes from? It got its name because it was inaugurated by King Alfonso XIII.

The Great Path

Do you have an adventurous spirit? Would you like to travel a route that runs through the most fascinating places in the province? The Gran Senda de Málaga spans the entire province along its 850+ kilometres, divided into 35 stages. This circular route crosses nine counties and natural spaces of enormous ecological wealth, with contrasting landscapes that go from the coast to the mountains and charming villages.



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El Torcal de Antequera

Let's take a tour of the most impressive karst landscape in all of Europe! The Torcal de Antequera Complex is reminiscent of a stone city of about 20 square km. Did you know that this entire landscape was once under the sea? The characteristic geography of the place is the result of sedimentation over millions of years that, after the collision of the tectonic plates, was raised during a slow process.

The Dolmens of Antequera

Travelling 6,000 years back in time is possible in the province of Málaga: the Antequera Dolmens Archaeological Complex, the largest in Europe, was the first human-made construction. Formed by the Dolmens of Menga and Viera, together with the tholos of El Romeral, they were built during the Neolithic period and the Bronze Age. If you want to see and feel the same things our ancestors did, be sure to plan a visit! Furthermore, the Antequera Dolmen Site, made up of the dolmens and two natural monuments (La Peña de los Enamorados and El Torcal), was recently declared a Unesco World Heritage Site.



Nerja Caves

Haven't been to the Nerja Caves yet? Well, it's about time! They are located in Maro, a district of Nerja, and were discovered by accident in 1959 by some young people. Although it consists of 3 galleries, at the moment only one is accessible to the public for conservation reasons, since the remaining ones have 589 rock paintings from the Upper Palaeolithic and more recent pre-historic times.

Cuevas del Tesoro (Treasure Cave)

About 10 km from the city of Málaga, in the town of Rincon de la Victoria, is La Cueva del Tesoro (the Treasure Cave). It is one of only three sea caves known in the world and the only one of its kind in Europe; the other two are in Asia and Central America (Mexico).

There are numerous stories and legends about it from different times in history (although the mysterious Arab treasure said to be hidden in its depths remains undiscovered) but the Cave itself is a treasure for Humanity.



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El Bosque de Cobre (The Copper Forest)

The Serranía de Ronda is home to one of the most impressive autumn landscapes in the interior of the province of Málaga. Bosque de Cobre is a metaphor that alludes to the spectacular show that nature puts on every year as the leaves fall from the chestnut trees, draping the mountains in browns, yellows, oranges and ochres.

It is located primarily in the Genal Valley, one of the three major geographical areas (together with the plateau and the Guadiaro Valley) that form the landscape of the Serranía de Ronda and its predominantly mountainous nature. Its relief, formed by a set of rugged mountain ranges and steep slopes, smooths out in surrounding areas, such as Campo de Gibraltar, the Costa del Sol and the Llanos de Antequera.

The municipalities that make up the Bosque de Cobre (Alpandeire, Benadalid, Benalauría, Cartajima, Faraján, Genalguacil, Igualeja, Jubrique, Júzcar, Parauta, Pujerra and Yunquera) have a tradition that relies heavily on chestnuts. Visiting them at any time of the year offers a unique opportunity to discover beautiful landscapes, delicious cuisine and numerous festivals, some of them awarded tourism awards due to their provincial uniqueness.



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Birding Málaga

The province of Málaga provides exceptional birdwatching opportunities, with more than 370 different species to see. There are six natural sites in particular that serve to showcase the province's ornithological potential: the mouth of the Guadalhorce, El Chorro, the Campillos lagoons, El Torcal, the Fuente de Piedra lagoon and the Ventilla stream.

During your visit, you will be able to spot birds of prey such as Bonelli's eagle, peregrine falcons and hawks, as well as specimens of mountain bunting, thorn warblers and griffon vultures, cormorants, waders, crossbills, Egyptian vultures, greenfinches, goldfinches and grey herons, flocks of pink flamingos, red ducks and specimens of common pochards, coots and stilts, as well as less common species such as wigeons, great crested grebes, curlews and malvas, or the white-headed malvasia, an endangered bird that breeds in the lagoons of the province.



Sierra de las Nieves

In the natural area of the Serranía de Ronda is the Sierra de las Nieves, recently declared a National Park, making the sixteenth National Park in Spain and the third in Andalusia, alongside Doñana and Sierra Nevada. Declared a protected natural area in 1989 and a UNESCO Biosphere Reserve in 1995, it has an area of 20,132 hectares. The municipalities in the area of influence of the future National Park are Alozaina, Benahavís, El Burgo, Casarabonela, Guaro, Istán, Monda, Ojén, Parauta, Ronda, Serrato, Tolox and Yunquera, with a total of 64,000 inhabitants.

The Sierra de las Nieves is home to a 3,000-hectare forest of Spanish fir, an endangered species that has found a home in this park. The Sierra de las Nieves is a mountainous territory with craggy ravines and cliffs like the ones in La Caína. There are some geological features, such as chasms, that are scarce in Andalusia.

As for the wildlife that inhabits this place, it's home to one of the largest goat populations in Andalusia, as well as to roe deer, the other large mammal species that lives in the park. As a result of this abundant wildlife, in 1972 it was declared a National Hunting Reserve in order to preserve these species.



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The Saltillo

The El Saltillo Suspension Bridge, made using steel and wood, is in one of the stages of La Gran Senda as it passes through Axarquía, and joins the municipalities of Sedella and Canillas de Aceituno. It is one of the three largest suspension bridges in Spain in a natural setting, and it provides spectacular views. It is 50 metres long and is located some 50 metres above the Almanchaes River, in

El Saltillo. Moreover, since it is in the Sierra Tejeda, Almijara and Alhama Natural Park, it provides a spot from which to observe the flora and fauna that inhabit the Almanchaes River canyon, such as the mountain goats that live in this area.

Every year, almost two million hikers travel one of the stages of La Gran Senda, which crosses almost 60 municipal districts in the province, four natural parks, two reserves and three natural landscapes. It is the perfect place for those who love hiking and the outdoors, with both seaside and mountain routes



Ambassadors of the Costa del Sol

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The Costa del Sol has seen the birth of many illustrious people who spread the name of their homeland all over the world. Such is the case of Pablo Picasso, Blas Infante and Cánovas del Castillo, whose names were associated with the place where they were born: the province of Málaga. Today, others are responsible for ensuring the name of the Costa del Sol is carried around the world.

Would you like to meet them? Keep reading!

Actors

Who better to appear on the silver screen to introduce the Costa del Sol? Antonio Banderas is the province's ambassador par excellence, taking his beloved Málaga to every red carpet all over the world.

Antonio de la Torre was a journalist before he went into acting. His many awards include two Goyas, one in 2006 for his impeccable performance in "Dark Blue Almost Black", and another in 2019 for "The Realm". María Barranco has spent her entire life in acting, and was one of the first to collaborate with the award-winning Pedro Almodóvar. Her two Goya awards are her calling card.

Dani Rovira, in his dual role as an actor and comedian, is one of the surprise stars of recent years. His role in the hilarious "Spanish Affair" catapulted him to fame.



Singers

The province of Málaga has always been a prolific creator of musical geniuses. Pablo Alborán and Pablo López started from nothing to reach the very top of the international scene. Chambao is a highly successful flamenco fusion group in

Spain. Its blend of flamenco and Arabic sounds is worth a listen. Finally, in recent years, singer-songwriter Vanessa Martín has earned the world's respect for her music. Her songs, full of talent and heart-felt lyrics, touch everyone

Sporting Personalities

The province of Malaga has an unparalleled line-up of sports tourism. It's no surprise that this area is the birthplace of many successful athletes in Spain who carry the name of Malaga all over the world. Would you like to meet them?

Francisco Alarcón "Isco" plays for Real Madrid. Born in Arroyo de la Miel, he is one of the fixtures for the next football World Cup, and is the standard-bearer for the province.

Carolina Navarro was born in Málaga and is one of the best players on the World Padel Tour. She has a long career full of successes, and has earned the respect of everyone in the sport

Rubén Ruzafa, born in Valencia but raised in Málaga, started out in the world of

mountain biking. He later decided to become a triathlete, where he has reaped numerous victories.

Borja Vivas is an athlete from Málaga. He is an elite shot-putter. He has been the outdoor champion of Spain six times in a row (2010-2015) and seven times indoors (2009-2015).



Azahara Muñoz is a professional golfer from Málaga who is going far in the American LPGA, where she was named rookie of the year in her first season. She is currently one of best female golfers.

Athlete **Damian Quintero**, Malagan by adoption, has won more than a hundred medals by absolute ranking. His last success was a silver medal for Kata at the European Karate Championships in Croatia in May 2021.

Yeray Ruiz, barely seventeen years old and born in Rincón de la Victoria, is competing this year with the Yamaha MS Racing team in the ESBK Spanish Speed Championship, in the Junior Superbike Category with a Yamaha R3. He has been mini motorcycle champion in the Madrid Region and Andalusia and champion of Spain and the Cuna de Campeones champions academy in the 220XL category.

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The Costa del Sol has become a benchmark for organising professional conferences, meetings and events. The reasons? First-class facilities, excellent air, rail and road connections, an idyllic climate and a wide range of quality accommodations. **Regardless of the event you have in mind, the possibilities offered by the Costa del Sol are a sure bet.**

Great selection and extensive experience

The Costa del Sol has an excellent range of conference centres that meet all the necessary requirements to hold any type of event or fair. The city of Málaga is home to the Málaga Fair and Convention Centre (Fycma), while the most notable venues on the western Costa del Sol include the Convention Centre of the Costa del Sol, in Torremolinos, the Marbella Fairgrounds and the Convention Centre of Estepona. The interior of the province also features facilities for holding conventions, such as the Convento de Santo Domingo in Ronda.



Specialised hotels

The province has among the most hotel rooms in the world. Most of these are 4 and 5 star hotels that specialise in welcoming visitors to conventions and fairs. Málaga also boasts the most complete leisure facilities in Europe, with theme parks, casinos, golf courses and spectacular marinas such as Puerto Banús. Endless options to make your stay as complete as possible.

DMC agencies

The Costa del Sol has expert DMC agents who will help you achieve your goals for the event in question. These companies handle the design, production and logistical coordination of these corporate events. Their services include accommodation and the organisation of activities and tours.



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Leisure, cuisine, nature, beaches and an excellent climate 365 days a year. The Costa del Sol is the paradise of dreams, a perfect place for fun.

Stroll under the sun and let the Mediterranean light carry you away. Travel its 160 kilometres of coastline, discover its 103 municipalities, its endless leisure options, its cultural offerings and, of course, its excellent cuisine.

The Costa del Sol is all this and much more.

If you want to enjoy Málaga's year-round light and warmth, just leave your suitcases in the hotel and go outside. Sidewalk cafés, beach bars, museums, markets, marinas, beach clubs, parties... The list of recreational options is almost endless.

It's easy to see why the Costa del Sol has become a benchmark for millions of travellers each year: in a unique destination such as this, fun is guaranteed from the first minute.

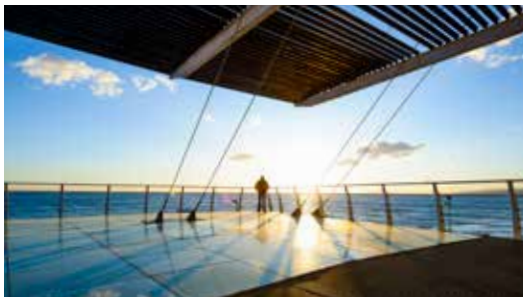
Theme and amusement parks, all the fun

One of the great epicentres of fun for all ages all year-round on the Costa del Sol are its numerous amusement and theme parks, which make our coast the tourist destination with the best leisure activities in southern Europe.

Around twenty large venues and almost fifty themed facilities, all of them unique, make the province the ideal destination for young and old alike



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Beaches, parks, promenades and beach clubs

The 160 kilometres of coastline offer a beautiful variety of landscapes, ranging from spectacular cliffs to splendid white sand dunes. The sun shines 12 months a year on the warm sand and the average annual temperature is around 20° C.

The spectacular promenades along the coast beckon you to walk by the sea and under the sunlight in any season.

From the west to the east coast, the promenades of the towns in the Costa del Sol have something for everyone. During the day, these popular leisure areas have a life of their own, thanks to their numerous visitors and the activities in their beach bars, shops and restaurants. At nightfall or at dawn, these same spaces are enjoyed by people doing sports, recharging their batteries on a sidewalk café or simply having fun outdoors all year round.



Shopping and markets

The Costa del Sol features around thirty different shopping areas. If shopping is a requisite aspect of leisure, the province is a must-visit destination.

It will be very difficult not to find what you're looking for and more while wandering through the shopping centres and galleries, or through the outdoor shopping areas of the cities in the Costa del Sol.

Old neighbourhoods full of boutiques, craft shops and stores, marinas, seaside promenades, department stores, shopping centres, markets... Málaga is one of the provinces with the highest density of shops, which makes any location a good place to stop and spend some leisure time buying souvenirs or renewing your wardrobe.

And as for luxury shopping, the best place to do that in the province is Puerto Banús, in Marbella.



More than 100 chances to have fun

Planning a getaway along the Costa del Sol and visiting any of its 103 beautiful municipalities is a must. A thousand and one surprises await visitors, whether to its seafaring towns or to the beautiful inland villages.

Nightlife and sidewalk dining

The promenades and streets of the towns on the Costa del Sol are carpeted with sidewalk cafés and establishments where you can enjoy your free time at sunset.

Nestled by the sea, under the stars or by a beautiful garden, night-time in the province begins with a dinner in any of the many restaurants that the Costa del Sol has, including those recognised with the prestigious Michelin stars.

Beach bars, clubs and other venues also proliferate in the historic centres of cities, in their marinas and on their promenades, making night-time the perfect time to enjoy the incredible leisure opportunities the Costa del Sol has to offer. Nightclubs, discos and pubs compete to provide visitors all the fun they need, as do the casinos in the province, where gambling and shows come together to guarantee the best entertainment.

